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AMENDMENT

Sir / Madam:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 14, 2003, applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended as follows. In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121, applicants elect claims 1-10 and 17-19. Please cancel claims 11-16 and 20-22 without prejudice.

Respectfully submitted,

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